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## COMMERCIAL

### IMPORTS AND EXPORTS

#### A Quiet Market.

Messrs. S. D. Smit & Co., exporters  
and importers, in their fortnightly report  
dated Hongkong, August 28th, state:

The interval under review is of 10 days  
during which our market owing to war is  
much paralysed, and nearly the whole of  
the business is at a standstill. The mar-  
ket does not feel buyers, owing to the  
tightness of money amongst the purchasers,  
and unsatisfactory news from the interior.  
General Outlook: Nothing doing; market  
quiet. Clearances are reported of about  
19 chests of Patna old and new. Good  
stock: 123 chests of Patna new, 101 chests  
of Patna old, 290 chests of Patna new,  
and 170 chests of Patna old in all about  
1197 chests. Sold but undressed stock -  
20 chests of Patna new, 27 chests of Patna  
old, 16 chests of Patna new, and 40  
chests of Patna old - in all about 103  
chests. Closing quotations (nominal) are  
as under: Patna new \$20.25; Patna old  
\$19.00; Patna new \$19.50; Patna old  
\$18.25.

Malaya Opium: No sales are reported.  
Clearance of about 31 chests. The stock  
about 100 chests. Sold but undressed  
stock about 118 chests. Closing quotations  
(nominal) Malaya new and old \$8.25 to  
\$8.45.

Cotton: No sales are reported. Undressed  
stock is estimated at about 3,000 bales.  
Closing quotations (nominal) are \$25 to \$27  
per bale.

Bonday Yarn: Market quiet, extremely  
quiet. Sales are reported of many varieties  
of Jullie, 15 at \$12.50 per bale. Clearances  
are reported of many varieties. Undressed  
stock is about 60,000 bales. Undressed stock  
is estimated at about 34,000 bales. Market  
closes quiet.

Japanese Yarn: Sales nil.

Sundry Articles: Market quiet. In

Imports, sales are reported only in boxes at

\$24 (per piece). In Exports, no business is

reported; the shipments are made, we hear,

from previous contracts.

### AN INTERESTING INTERVIEW.

#### A Russian's Views.

Calcutta, 1st August.  
A Russian resident in Calcutta, inter-  
viewed by the Statesman, stated that he  
had not then heard of any official informa-  
tion whether Russia is taking action. He  
believed, however, that the crisis must cer-  
tainly develop into a general European  
conflict but failed to see how the war could  
vital affect the shipping and commerce of  
the Eastern seas, seeing the comparative  
importance of Germany and Austria in  
this part of the world. At the worst,  
however, he presumed that Japan, as an  
ally, could easily protect British interests  
in Eastern waters. Regarding the power  
of Austria, he failed to see how it  
could ultimately do much in the East, the  
perpetual prospect of internal variance  
within its own territory. Austria had  
only Germany to rely on, for Italy could  
not be expected to support Austria in a  
war, the ultimate objects of which  
obviously would be to reach Italy  
upon Italian maritime interests in the  
Adriatic. France, on doubt, wanted to  
recover Alsace and Lorraine.

Questioned concerning the power and  
attitude of Russia, he declared: "This is  
a national war; the war with Japan was  
an artificial war. Look at the strikes and  
internal dissensions which prevailed in  
Russia in those days when her troops were  
transported to the wilds of Manchuria; to  
fight for a cause which they neither knew  
nor cared for. Today we are a united  
nation. There are twenty five millions of  
Slaves in Russia and the resentment of the  
Russian nation towards Austria had been  
growing since the last Japanese War, when  
Austria, with the avowed object of ter-  
ritorial aggrandisement, sought to create  
strife in adjacent states."

In the contingency of all the great  
powers being involved he believed that  
Austria's ships could be bottled up in the  
Mediterranean, leaving the German fleet  
unable to do much in the Indian Ocean.  
The Triple Entente, in that event the contest  
for maritime supremacy would be decided  
in the North Sea and he had little  
doubt as to the result. The comparatively  
small Russian fleet could not achieve  
much, but the Russian navy, as the  
result of the Russian victory since the  
Japanese War, had never been in a better  
state of efficiency. One of the first moves  
on the part of Germany would not doubt be  
the blockading of the Baltic ports, but the  
Russian Government had been for some  
years engaged in fitting her ports with  
thunder. He doubted whether Germany  
possessed sufficient financial resources to  
enable her to carry on an air or aerial  
war for a long time. Besides the  
outlet of her food supplies the bulk of  
which she at present obtained from Russia,  
would render a prolonged struggle on her  
part impossible.

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Hongkong, August 27, 1914.

#### NOTICE

THE FOOD Committee is prepared  
to consider:-

(1) Enquiries from residents in the  
Colony who are experiencing any difficulty  
in obtaining food stuffs at the maximum  
prices quoted in the lists of food stuffs  
published in the Government Gazette of  
22nd August, 1914 or who may wish for  
information concerning the retail prices of  
articles of food not enumerated in the lists.

(2) Any complaints from residents in  
the Colony who are being charged more  
than the maximum prices published. All  
enquiries or complaints should be addressed  
to the Secretary of The Food Committee,  
The Treasury, General Post Office  
Building.

E. D. C. WOLFE,

Chairman Food Committee.

Hongkong, August 27, 1914.

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#### LOST SCRIPT.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the  
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pany are alleged to have been LOST:-  
Certificates for 40 Shares Nos. 401/450  
inclusive in the name of  
JAMES BACKHOUSE.

Application has been made to the Under-  
secretary for the Payment of the sum of  
\$412.50 (Dollars Two Hundred and Twelve  
and Cents Fifty) in respect of the First  
and Final Dividend at the Rate of \$4.25  
(Dollars Four and Cents Twenty-Five) per  
Share declared on the 31st July, 1914, on  
the above-mentioned Shares, and should  
no objection be lodged with the Under-  
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F. C. P. MAEL,  
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Hongkong, July 22, 1914.

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8 A.M. HONGKONG. 8 A.M. HONGKONG.  
3 P.M. HONGKONG. 3 P.M. HONGKONG.

#### SUNDAY, 30th AUGUST.

5 P.M. HONGKONG.

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Return Fare by Night (available also for Return by Day Steamer) 10.00  
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Week days at 7.30 A.M. and 2 P.M. Sundays at 7.30 A.M. and 2 P.M.

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The Company's Steamship "TAISHAN"  
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N.B.-The Company will also run a steamer from Macao on Sunday morning at  
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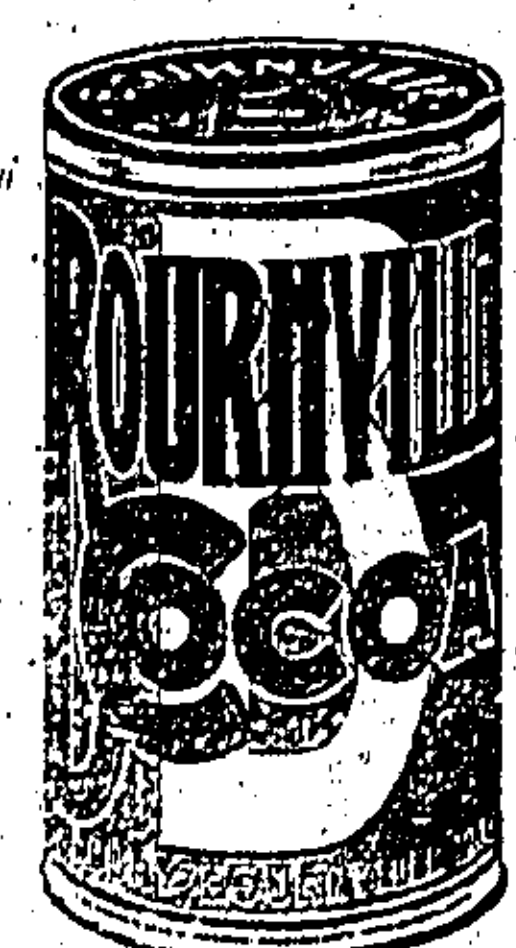
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NOTICE.

SHORT TRAIN SERVICE.

THE PUBLIC IS HEREBY NOTI-  
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leave Canton for Kowloon at 5.15 P.M.  
and to leave Kowloon for Canton at  
12.15 A.M. are hereby cancelled.  
By OrderR. BAKER, The Administration,  
Acting Manager, Chinese Section,  
British Station, Canton Kowloon  
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Hongkong, August 28, 1914.

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senger of the "Wing-ong" lay stretched  
on the swamped grass patiently waiting  
for a pig to make its appearance in the  
moonlit clearing before them. They had  
left the vessel at Soerabaya, and after  
a tedious tramp through swamp and  
jungle, on the island of Madura, had  
arrived at this little clearing which was  
supposed to be an exceptionally favourite  
night-haunting ground for the wild pig.They had been glad, after their weary  
tramp under the broiling sun, to stretch  
themselves in the cool grass and gaze  
dreamily over the moonlit plain, quite  
content to wait till master pig  
glide to some forth. But when, at the  
end of the fourth hour's watching, the  
scoutings had sent word to their out-  
stations that two white men were lying  
there ready upon the feast, and the  
hungry pests hovered in clouds over  
their heads, the chief officer began to  
get restive. He had been pig shooting  
before and knew that the mosquitoes,  
and a fair chance of malaria, were as  
only bag one could be reasonably sure  
of. He rolled over and looked enqui-  
ringly at his guide."Bumby game, I think, Tuan," the  
fatter whisperer, an apologetic smile  
drawing a swift streak of white across  
his dusky features. "Come more,  
himself.""Later," arrived, but no pig, and the  
chief officer commenced snapping viciously  
at the mosquitoes that were feeding on  
him, regardless of the wretched "flush"  
of his more enthusiastic friend, who  
would have gladly laid there till dawn,  
pursing his hopes."Look there," growled the chief, at  
last, "we've had about enough of this;  
let's chuck it up and get back to the  
ship before the sun gets too high.""Not yet," implored his companion,  
"wait a bit longer."They had silent a while, then the  
chief rose to his knees leaning on his  
rifle."I'm going to crawl to that knoll  
yonder," he whispered, indicating with  
a nod a rise in the bush behind them.  
"May be I can see through if a pig  
comes out into the open; anyway, this  
grass is soaking wet, and I'm taking  
no chances in Java. Are you coming?""No," said Westburn, shaking his  
head. "I came after pig, and pig I mean  
to get." He had only been a month  
in Java, and the heat had not yet had  
time to sizzle out the airy optimism of  
the freshman."Well, I hope you get a shot at a  
dove," whispered back the chief ironi-  
cally."I fancy the pig aren't running to-  
night, or else this brute," nodding  
toward their guide, who had dropped  
into a contented doze, "has brought us  
wrong. I believe the brutes do that.  
If they are afraid that we might damage  
any crops by running over them, they  
take us out into the wilderness, pig or  
no pig. Well, for my part, I chuck in  
my knife and fork, and mean to try  
and get a snooze before daylight. Here  
goes for the dry ground."Pushing his rifle before him, he crawl-  
ed carefully away on all fours until he  
reached the edge of the clearing. West-  
burn looked idly after him until he  
heard him rustle his way through the  
undergrowth to the top of the knoll,  
then he thought he had laid down, for  
all was still and he turned his attention  
once more to the clearing and pig.Presently the guide touched his arm  
and pointed silently to the side, where  
four or five faint shadows were emerg-  
ing from the bush and moving toward  
the centre of the plain.Westburn's heart throbbed excitedly,  
here at last was his chance. "In the  
bright moonlight he could make out a  
big boar in the lead, and was just about  
to draw a bead on him when an excited  
halloo from the knoll behind him caused  
the pigs to turn and vanish as swiftly  
and silently as the shadows they ap-  
peared to be. Westburn jumped up and  
strove angrily toward the knoll."Look here, Kettley," he called, "I  
wish you'd hold your nose and let me  
go a shot, even if you do not wish to  
shoot yourself.""Hang the pig," returned the chief  
cheerfully, "come here man;  
come and have a look at this.""I would have bagged a beauty if  
you had not made that infernal row,"  
grumbled Westburn, as he pushed his  
way through the bush, followed by their  
wondering guide.The mound on which Kettley stood  
had once been the tomb of some powerful  
Malay chief; for a horseshoe of roughly  
trimmed stones marked the flat top.  
The centre bulged with age, and a  
sapling, sprouting from the inside of  
the grave, had attained a fair size before  
being killed by a tightly twisted vine  
that clung to it. It was at this vine  
that Kettley was gazing as his com-  
panion struggled up to where he stood.There were two stems which, spring-  
ing from the same spot in the rotten  
trunk, wound their slender willows so  
tightly round it as to cut deep into the  
wood; and on the end of each stem was  
a bunch of the most perfect blossoms  
they had ever seen.Only two of the seven buds on each  
were open, but they stood entranced  
by the weird beauty of the blossoms.  
Field upon field of rich velvety black  
fell away from a centre of dazzling  
whiteness, splashed with scarlet like  
clots of blood upon the bosom of some  
fair woman, and in the uncertain moon-  
light the flowers seemed to contract and  
dilate as though gifted with the power  
of life and movement.Kettley stood with one hand resting  
on the slender trunk, gazing at the  
exquisite flowers, when he felt some-  
thing lightly brush his ear, and turning  
suddenly, saw that the other stem had  
dropped still; it twined his head."Tavvy!" he cried in dismay, "the  
thing moved.""Nonsense," returned Westburn,  
smiling, "the weight of your hand  
swayed the trunk, and, naturally, shifted  
the higher branch. How delicious is their  
perfume. I tell you what, my son, I am  
a bit of a connoisseur of orchids, and  
it is my opinion that we have got hold  
of a specimen such as has never been  
seen before. Have you ever seen such a  
depth of colouring? Look at that vivid  
scarlet; and that intense black! Magni-  
ficent!""Looks uneasy to me," returned the  
sailor, shortly. "Looks too much like  
blood and funeral pall.""And the perfume," continued West-  
burn, enthusiastically, "did you ever  
conceive an odour so ravishing to the  
senses?""Too ravishing," laughed Kettley,  
"its intoxicating. At first it made me  
feel quite giddy, and now I'm as drowsy  
as if I had not slept for a week. I'm  
for moving farther away. Hello!" he  
broke off, stooping to examine something  
at his feet. "What have we here?"At the foot of the tree were scattered  
the bones of numerous small animals  
and birds, some nearly decayed, some  
apparently fresh."Hazzim," he asked, turning to the  
guide, "where do these come from?""How can I tell thee, Tuan?" an-  
swered the Malay, "Mayhap, knowing  
their day was come, for the birds and  
the beasts can read the signs clearer  
than us, being more free from sin—they  
have crept here to die.""More likely they are old sacrifices to  
the Johnny beneath," said the chief  
officer. "Animals don't all come to the  
same place to pay out.""How do you account for this, then?"  
asked Westburn, as he fell on his knees  
to examine the body of a young deer  
that lay half covered by the displaced  
stones. "I should imagine, if they stillsacrificed to their departed chieftain,  
they would at least keep his grave in  
better repair.""Queer," mused Kettley, "it seems  
to have died a natural death, too, and  
that recently. Look how its tongue  
and eyes protrude, though.""Well," he continued, rising and  
shaking himself, "we had better be  
getting back to the ship, if we do not  
want to have the sun too hot before our  
return. Jove, how sleepy I am."But first we'll secure this splendid  
orchid," said Westburn, "I don't sup-  
pose the old gentleman below will mind  
our plucking a flower from his grave.""Tuan, leave it be," implored the  
guide earnestly, as he stooped, once  
more and grasped the sapling at its  
base. "Leave it be. It'll lack combat  
upon those that ride the graves of the  
sacred dead.""Both," old grizzly-headed," replied  
Westburn, with a short laugh, "I've  
lived through the superstitions in my  
own childish days. Hand withers, and  
all that sort of thing. However, I would  
not forget this prize for all the ill-luck  
our friend below would pile upon me.  
Come on, Kettley, there's a plant for  
each of us. Break away this rotten  
stem just above and below the orchid  
and we can take it down to the ship  
with ease."The twisted plants were broken away  
from their decaying hold, and the two  
men commenced their dreary tramp to  
the ship without having fired a single  
shot; well content, nevertheless, with  
their night's bag.Their guide had daily refused to carry  
or touch the orchid, so giving him the  
guns, they laughingly slung the rotten  
stump between them and set out. On  
the vessel, where the exquisite beauty  
of the blossoms was universally admired,  
Westburn had them hung in his cabin,  
in order that the previous plants might  
be continually under his eye; but, on  
the second day out from Java, he asked  
the chief officer if he thought he could  
find safe storage for them elsewhere.  
The perfume he said was too pungent.  
Though they were hanging at the farther  
end of the stateroom, away from the  
bunk, he found that the peculiar aroma  
induced intense drowsiness, in spite of  
which, he awoke from his heavy sleep  
dull and unrefreshed.The orchids were moved once more,  
this time into an unenclosed cabin in  
the poop, which was used as a mail or  
parcel room as occasion might require,  
and hung beside the disused bunk. And  
here they remained until, shortly before  
their arrival at Swatow, the commodore  
came forward in the early morning and  
ran up on the bridge to the chief officer.One piece of mail had made its  
ascent, he said to the mate, in an  
agitated voice.The chief officer stopped in his tramp  
and gazed at him in astonishment.  
"What thing?" he queried, vaguely.

"Have died?"

"Yes," affirmed the Chinaman. "One  
piece of mailman; no one catches bunk,  
have make sleep on deck, Lee' at some  
lain, have go downside make sleep at  
passel-down; dis mawin' have make  
die."Calling the Captain, they went aft in  
the wake of the scared Chinaman to the  
room in the poop where the two orchids  
had been hung. In the bunk beside  
them lay the rigid body of the tally-  
man, the features black but otherwise  
curiously peaceful and composed. The  
neatly limbed and almost lifeless, was now  
crisp and fresh like a plant after an  
invigorating shower. The mate noticed  
that the open flowers were expanded to  
their fullest, and that the splashes of red,  
which before had appeared washed out  
and faded, were now a deep vivid scar-  
let. He looked at the change in the  
plant and wondered. Then he turned to  
the Captain and Westburn, who in his  
pyjamas had hurried aft to see what the  
commotion was about."Strange thing this," he said, in a  
low tone, "ye surely, they say, the man  
was quite well and turned into this room  
because his own bedding was wet."Foul play, without a doubt," re-  
turned the skipper, in the same under-  
tone; "the man has been poisoned; see  
the rigid hue of the skin. They have  
some strange poisons in China.""Is my belief," replied the chief  
officer, with a glance of apprehension at  
the orchid, "that the fumes from that  
curse plant had something to do with it.  
Do you remember," turning to West-  
burn, "that I said the perfume made  
me giddy and drowsy when we first dis-  
covered it? I vote we chuck the thing  
over the side.""Do you remember also," said West-  
burn smilingly, "that I had them in  
my own room for two nights before we  
shifted them in here? True, they were  
a good deal farther away, than they are  
from that poor fellow, but still, I'm alive  
aren't I?"

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### THE DIARY.

#### MEMO. FOR TO-MORROW.

8 a.m.—Excursion to Macao.

#### MEMOS. FOR MONDAY.

Queen of Holland's Birthday (1880).

Emperor of Japan's Birthday (1879).

1 p.m.—Auction of Crown Land at P.W.D.

#### General Memoranda.

Wednesday, September 2—

2.30 p.m.—Auction of Teakwood and Blackwood Furniture, at Messrs. Hughes and Houghton.

Friday, September 4—

10.01 p.m.—Full Moon.

Friday, Sept. 4 &amp; Saturday Sept. 5—

7.02 p.m.—12.48 a.m.—Partial Eclipse of the Moon.

Monday, September 7—

Labour Day—U.S.A.

Wednesday, September 9—

Independence Day—U.S.A.

Saturday, September 12—

Nono—Hongkong Bank Extraordinary Meeting.

had agreed to in common with Great Britain. Germany preferred to abide by her military plans rather than be honourable in her relations with Belgium. It was purely a case of the stronger dominating the weaker, and to Belgium's eternal honour she refused to be bullied. What is the use of a nation pledging herself to certain obligations during peace if, on the outbreak of war, she ignores such obligations? Even in this imperfect world, moral right will always be stronger than brutal force, and that is one of the causes that has enabled the Belgians to withstand so successfully the onslaught of a force numerically superior.

It would seem that the Germans—who are so obsessed with the idea of their own importance—were even more astonished by Great Britain's entrance into the war arena than they were at Belgium's determination to oppose Germany's tyranny; and from the remarkable statements of Dr. von Blethmann-Hollwegg, the German Chancellor, and Herr von Jagow, the Foreign Minister, Great Britain, by her action, had completely spoiled their policy which, according to their statement, was to "make friends of England and through England of France." And for that splendid ideal alone, no doubt, Germany had for years been spending millions on the maintenance of a vast Army and Navy! Nations, like individuals, ought to know that friendship cannot be obtained by force. The German autocrats must believe the British or any other nation to be very simple to credit such an absurd statement regarding their policy, for it has long been only too evident to all that Germany's preparations were intended much more for her aggrandisement than for her defence. She came upon the scene too late to be a great colonial power and she, therefore, coveted what had been fairly won, at the sacrifice of many lives and much treasure, by Great Britain and other nations. The Germans ever since their victory over the French in the seventies of last century were apparently obsessed by the belief in their invincibility in war. They thought that they had merely to move from point to point, and that no matter what opposition confronted them their skill and their numbers would be all-conquering. To day, it is perhaps more true than at any other time, that numbers do not make for certain victory. The knowledge that is with the Allied Forces that they are fighting in a good cause—in opposition to brutal force and selfish domination—is equal to the strength of many battalions. Practically a month has passed since Germany set out upon her villainous mission to "bleed France white," as the Germans termed it, and she has not yet reached France. She is impoverishing herself day by day, losing prestige the world over, and being successfully opposed by resolute nations sure of the righteousness of their cause and certain of ultimate victory.

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### NEWS OF THE DAY.

#### LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Five fatal Chinese cases of plague were notified last week and one Eurasian case of diphtheria (non fatal).

A crane driver at the Tai Koo Docks, named Hu Hung, was yesterday killed through accidentally falling off a crane, a distance of 80 feet.

A foki employed at 37 Market Street was entrusted by his master with \$40, which he was instructed to buy slippers and other articles. The foki has not since been seen.

The sons of President Yuan Shih Kai who have been studying at Cheltenham have returned to Peking. They will probably return to England later to resume their studies.

A shopkeeper living at 59 Wing Lok Street reports to the Police that early this morning a person entered his house and stole clothing valued at \$4.50 and jewellery to the value of \$19 and \$33 in money.

A Chinese farmer has been arrested at the Wong Chai village in connection with the burglary at the village on the 21st inst. Clothing and baggage valued at \$23, were discovered in the farmer's house. The charges will be heard by Mr. Juss, the Magistrate at Tai Po. The house at which the theft took place was entered during the absence of the occupant.

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### TYPHOON WARNING.

The following telegram was received at the American Consulate General from Manila Observatory at 10 15 a.m. to-day:—  
Cyclone or Typhoon, near or over Bashi Channel, filling up.

### MILITARY WEDDING.

#### Lake Paske-Smollett-Campbell.

Khaki was the predominating colour at the wedding at St. John's Cathedral yesterday afternoon, of Mr. Edward Lake Paske, of the 2nd Duke of Cornwall's Light Infantry, to Miss Ella Marjorie Smollett-Campbell. The bridegroom is the only son of Major G. H. Paske, Royal Engineers, and of Mrs. Duffus, of Halifax, Nova Scotia, and the bride the youngest daughter of Mr. Smollett-Campbell, Commissioner of Chinese Customs, Macao, and of Mrs. Smollett-Campbell, Lappa, Macao. There was a large gathering at the Cathedral, many of the bridegroom's brother officers being present.

The bride, who was given away by her father, looked charming in a soft cream and white lace gown, arranged in the new three tier effect with a broad satin waist band. A hat of lace and white illusion completed a dainty toilette, with which she carried a lovely shower bouquet. Mr. A. W. Watson, a brother officer of the bridegroom, acted as best man.

The bride's mother wore an exquisite black charming gown, with an over dress of cream point de Flandre lace, and a smart black toque.

The Rev. V. H. Copley-Moyle officiated, and the Cathedral had been prettily decorated for the occasion by Mrs. Irwin and Miss Smith. The bridal pair passed from the Cathedral to their chairs under the crossed swords of the officers of the Battalion. A reception was held at Lauriston, where the battalion band played selections, and later in the afternoon Mr. and Mrs. Lake Paske left for Government House, which had been lent by H. E. Sir Henry and Lady May.

Among the guests invited were H. E. Sir Henry and Lady May, and Miss May, General and Mrs. Kelly, Colonel and Mrs. Irwin, R.A.M.C., Major and Mrs. Norris and Officers and D.C.L.I.

### GUN PRACTICE.

It is notified that information has been received from the military authorities that gun practice will be carried out on Monday, the 31st August, from West Battery, stoocenters, in a North-Westerly direction, between the hours of 8 a.m. and 12 noon.

All junk, ship and other vessels are to keep clear of the ranges.

### PASSEPORTS THROUGH RUSSIA.

Information has been received from the Consul for Russia that he is empowered by his Government to issue passports for entry into and passage through Russia to British subjects. Holders of passports should present them in person at the Consulate at least 24 hours before their departure.

### REQUIEM SERVICE FOR LATE POPE.

On Tuesday morning at the Roman Catholic Cathedral a very imposing Requiem Pontifical Mass was officiated by the Rt. Rev. Bishop Pozzani at 9 o'clock for the repose of the soul of the late Pope Pius X.

The Church was draped in black and the pillars interlaced with ribbons. In the centre, beneath the zimbombium, a huge catafalque was erected, surmounted by an ornate canopy in which the diars and the pontifical garments were placed over the coffin, which was covered with a long velvet trimmed in white. Huge silvered candelsticks surrounded the catafalque and cypress wreaths in the shape of "X" scattered at the foot.

The Mass started a little after 9 o'clock. His Lordship, assisted by the Deacon Rev. Fr. Zamponi and the sub-deacon Rev. Fr. Garabelli, with the chief assistant, the Very Rev. Fr. De Maria, started the Mass and to their singing the Introitus while the band of St. Louis Industrial School played a funeral march at the lateral door of the Church under the portico. During the Mass the girls of the Convents sang in response to the full choir.

The last "Absolutions" at the Catafalque were given by the Rev. Fr. L. Robert, F. Novati, and P. Monnier, A. Leong (the Dean of the Chinese priests) and His Lordship the Bishop; the last "De Profundis" was sung by the Full Choir.

Among those present were—H.E. The Governor and his A.D.C., Hon. Mr. Severn, Colonial Secretary, Lt. Col. Radcliffe, Major and Mrs. Bowen, Capt. G. M. D. Pitt, R.G.A., Commanders of Z. Volpelli, Consul General for Italy, Commandador and Mme. Lelima, M. Liebert, Consul General France and Misses Liebert, the Consul General for Panama and wife, J. G. de Bernedo, Consul for Chile, Mons. J. K. Dealy, Chv. Dr. A. S. Gomes and wife, Chv. J. M. Alves and wife, Chv. F. The Yai and wife, The President General of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, the Rev. Director of St. Joseph's College, H. Dizen, G. Galuzzi and family, Mrs. E. Rozario, and Miss Rozario, and Members of the Ladies League, the staff of St. Joseph's College, the personnel of the two convents, etc. Every seat was occupied.

### WAR NEWS.

We learn that the main citadel and the four principal forts at Namur remain in the hands of the Belgians. Four smaller ones were destroyed before the Germans occupied them.

### FOREIGNERS EXCLUDED FROM GERMANY.

It is officially announced by the Russian Telegraphic Agency that the German Ministry in Copenhagen has informed the Danish Government that the German Government has decided not to permit any foreigner to enter Germany during the war, with the exception of Austrian subjects.

This being so, Italians are excluded, and their exclusion would, apparently, involve a breach of Treaty.

### WILL CHINA GET KIOCHOW?

It was with mingled feelings, says the Peking correspondent of the N. C. Daily News, that the Chinese Government regarded the terms of the ultimatum. They saw in it the recovery of the Colony of Kiochow, and were ready to be a little apologetic to Japan for being suspicious of her intentions until someone asked the definition of the word "eventual." Nor have they satisfied themselves yet. So short or so long a period might be embraced that suspicions are again finding fat feeding grounds in the official mind, and while there is much greater calm as a result of the ultimatum there is still considerable uneasiness in quarters lest Japan should find it possible to retain Kiochow as a base for future harm to China despite the wishes of the Chinese Powers if they emerge victorious from the war, or the efforts of Germany to recover the Colony if the apparently impossible happens and she triumphs over her foes.

### TSINGTAO CABLES CUT.

Shanghai, Aug. 24. The cable from Shanghai to Tsingtao was cut on Saturday. The cable from Tsingtao to Chefoo was cut last night.

### RIOTS IN ANTWERP.

Serious a German rioting occurred in Antwerp on August 5. An angry mob sacked the German cities and restaurants and tore the emblems from the walls of the German Consulate. The police being unable to check the disorders, the Belgian military governor placed the city under martial law and ordered the expulsion of all German residents.

### LORD KITCHENER'S NEW ARMY.

Lord Kitchener's new army will consist of six divisions. The Scottish and Light Infantry Divisions will assemble at Aldershot, the Eastern Division at Shorncliffe, the Western at Salisbury plain and the Irish at the Curragh. The place of assembly for the Northern Division has not been decided on.

The Press Bureau states that the name Light Division recalls Wellington's in the Peninsula. It is officially announced that mobilisation of the Territorial Force is being completed without a hitch. Every unit is believed to be up to establishment.

### RECRUITING IN THE COLONIES.

A telegram dated London, August 12th, said:—Recruiting in Canada has been discontinued as more men have been secured than are required. Moreover, several regiments have volunteered as whole regiments, thereby presenting their identity. In Australia, a similar enthusiasm. Queensland is dealing with legislation to supply Great Britain with meat.

### MASTERY OF THE SEA.

Proof of British mastery of the sea is afforded, says a message of the 12th inst. by the announcements that steamship services between Harwich and Esbjerg and Newcastle and Norway have been resumed. The service between Harwich and the Hook of Holland was never suspended. Danish food ships have already arrived.

### TREATMENT OF FOREIGNERS IN GERMANY.

#### Unpleasant Reports.

The St. Petersburg Telegraphic Agency publishes reports of discourteous treatment of influential Russian subjects who chanced to be in Germany at the outbreak of the war. One report states that a party of Russians, numbering thirty-six, and including the wife of the Viceroy of the Caucasus, Countess Voronow-dachkoff, Countess Orloff, Countess Scheremetoff, and others, with the Russian Minister, Demidoff, were subjected to treatment rather more than discourteous. They were arrested by Prussian Police and confined in the common prison at Frankfurt-on-Maine. The Spanish Consul intervened on their behalf and they were released and permitted to leave the country for Denmark. They were arrested again en route and the report asserts that the Countess Voronow-dachkoff was assaulted and received a blow with the butt end of a rifle. The party entered the train at Neumunster where there was an angry demonstration by an excited crowd. At another station en route, the party was held up again, and on the platform the ladies were surrounded by soldiers, and a part of their dress was removed that they might be searched through by the soldiers. Meanwhile, the crowd assembled indulged in the cry of "Shoot the Russian spies!" The party finally reached Denmark after an exciting six days' journey.

### CASH AND CARGO.

#### German Seizure of Russian Property.

We are informed that the sum of Rm. 4,000 in notes, the amount seized by German post office officials in the days before the declaration of war between Russia and Germany, has been returned to the Russo-Asiatic Bank.

### CORRESPONDENCE.

#### HELP FOR THE WIDOWS AND ORPHANS.

(To the Editor of the "China Mail.")

Hongkong, 20th August, 1914.

Dear Sir,—Through the medium of your columns, I would like to announce that I have started a "Hongkong Contribution" to the Prince of Wales' Fund for the widows and orphans of the British Expeditionary Force now so bravely repelling the German invasion of Belgium and France. If each British subject or British family in Hongkong and the Coast Ports will promise to contribute from 5 to 50 cents for every day the European War continues, I believe that a useful sum of money could be remitted monthly from Hongkong to the Prince of Wales' Fund. Contributions will be collected monthly and collection book will be ready on Monday the 31st inst. I shall be pleased if those willing to assist in getting subscribers to this Fund will apply to me for books.

Although it is my aim to get people to put aside a daily contribution to this Fund, as long as the war lasts or British soldiers are engaged, I shall also gladly welcome any single donation of money which will considerably enhance the value of the Hongkong contribution to the Prince of Wales' Fund. Mr. W. A. Dewley has kindly promised to act as Treasurer.

I am, Dear Sir, Yours truly,

R. D. HARVEY.

18 Bank Buildings, Queen's Road Central, Hongkong.

### HONGKONG'S FINANCES.

The statement of the Colony's finances for the month of June shows that revenue amounted to \$1,012,976.37 during the month, and expenditure to \$1,043,330.42. There remained a credit balance of \$3,006,485.40 on June 30th.

national law involved. It is not improbable that the Russian authorities will take steps to indemnify the owner of the cargo, the neutrality of this port having, it is alleged, been violated by the seizure of the cargo in question.—N. C. Daily News.

### ITALIANS IN FRANCE.

#### Significant Official Announcement.

In an official communiqué, the Italian Ambassador in Paris, M. Tulloni, notifies Italians in France those who are visiting the country or residing there, that they may remain in France with perfect safety. The Ambassador directs that Italian residents leaving France may meet with inconveniences from the fact that traffic on the railways of Northern Italy is somewhat congested in consequence of the transport of Italian troops to the northern frontier. In Belgium, and other silk districts, a regular panic has occurred, owing to the drop in prices. From Y. 1,000 per bale, the price has fallen to Y. 700. The export of silk is practically suspended. Copper is from \$24.50 per ton lower. The 16th inst. saw a very heavy rain. Foreign shipowners are being very badly hit. One large British firm was without money for a week and was unable to meet its vessel call bill. The only vessels sailing on schedule time are those of American and Japanese lines. The P. M. S. Siberia left the night before last for San Francisco, via Honolulu, carrying a full cargo. Large quantities of tea, 1,000 bales of silk and 700 tons of specie are said to be on board, besides a full complement of passengers, a great number of whom are American and Hungarian residents. The T.K.K. Chio Maui is due to sail to-day for America, also very heavily laden and without a vessel's berth. It was at first given out that she was to have been held back.

### YOKOHAMA AND THE WAR.

#### Disarray of All Business.

PANIC IN THE SILK DISTRICTS.

Yokohama, Aug. 14.

The persistent rumours in circulation that Japan is to be engaged in a war with Germany who is offering to supply her with the necessary market locally. The banks have stopped selling gold and remittances are difficult to get through. Money changers have been raising a havoc, their small stocks of gold fetching exorbitant prices. The silk and Chinese hand notes are very difficult to dispose of and when accepted, the discount is heavy. The best rate available is about 7 1/2 for Mex \$100.—Tourists and the humble holiday maker are the chief buyers.

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### THE SHIPPING OF TSINGTAO.

Mr. Eckford, H. B. M. Vice-Consul at Tsingtao, says in his Report for 1913:—

The total shipping clearance for this port in 1913 amounted to 939 steamers, with a tonnage of 1,332,247 tons, as against 779 steamers and 1,201,368 tons in the previous year. The German flag heads the list with the Japanese and British taking second and third place, as regards tonnage the last named is a good second. There are small boats trading in the bay and with Hantschow, which necessarily brings up the number of German ships entering this port very considerably. The increase of the shipping clearance for the month of June is due to the 19th inst. trade between here and Vladivostok. The total ocean shipping, from here amounted to about 6,400 tons of cargo, 25,000 tons measurement and 35,000 tons weight in this British shipping clearance for the month of June is due to the 19th inst. trade between here and Vladivostok. The total ocean shipping, from here amounted to about 6,400 tons of cargo, 25,000 tons measurement and 35,000 tons weight in this British shipping clearance for the month of June is due to the 19th inst. trade between here and Vladivostok.

### KEEP IT HANDY.

IMMEDIATE relief is necessary in all cases of Colic, Cholera, and Diarrhoea. Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy should always be on hand. For sale by all Chemists and Druggists.



## BY TELEGRAPH.

# THE PROGRESS OF THE WAR.

### BASELESS RUMOURS REGARDING TSINGTAO.

### THE JAPANESE BLOCKADE KIAOCHOU.

We are authorised by the Consul-General for Japan to contradict the rumour that three ships of the Japanese fleet blockading Tsingtau have been sunk by the forts. Mr. Imai describes the story as utterly baseless, and says that some of the ships named are not even with the blockading fleet.

#### THE JAPANESE BLOCKADE OF KIAOCHOU.

The Consul-General for Japan at Hongkong has courteously sent us the following proclamation regarding the Blockade of Tsingtau:

#### THE DECLARATION OF THE BLOCKADE.

I hereby declare that on the 27th August, 1914, the entire coast of the leased Territory of Kiaochow between Latitude thirty-five degree fifty-four minute North Longitude one hundred twenty degree ten minute East and Latitude thirty-six degree seven minute North Longitude one hundred twenty degree thirty-six minute East was placed in state of blockade by the Naval Force under my command and will continue to be in such state of blockade and that the ships of friendly and Neutral Powers are given twenty-four hours' delay to leave the area of blockade and that all measures authorized by the International Law and the respective Treaties between the Empire of Japan and the neutral Powers will be enforced on behalf of His Imperial Majesty's Government as just and necessary which may attempt to violate the blockade.

Given on board His Imperial Majesty's ship, "Suiho."  
This 27th day of Eighth Month of Third Year of Taisho.  
(Signed) SADAKICHI KATO,  
Vice-Admiral and Commander-in-Chief  
of the Second Squadron.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

#### BRITAIN'S ADMIRATION AND SYMPATHY WITH BELGIUM.

LONDON, Aug. 27.

The continuation of Mr. Balfour's speech in the House of Commons, on seconding the Premier's motion, was as follows:—  
Now when that small Army is able no longer to stem the tide of the advancing enemy, it is still, with undiminished courage and unbroken spirit, able to play a noble and effective part. But our admiration and our sympathy are not confined to the Belgian people. They go out in the fullest measure to the Belgian people, who have endured and are enduring now all the horrors of war, and after making every allowance for the source from which our information comes, we do not doubt that they are enduring them in the form which ought to be impossible amongst civilized nations. (Cheers.)

Whatever doubt may have been felt among us as to the justice or the necessity of our taking part in this war has been removed by what has happened and is happening in Belgium. What has happened there confirms the belief in which we entered upon this war, that it is in reality a struggle of the small nations and of civilisation against brute force, which is not the less brutal because it has at its disposal the material resources and inventions of science. Belgium has deserved well of the world. She has added another to the long list of great deeds of which the Prime Minister has spoken, which have been done by the heroic patriotism of small nations. But to us, her Ally, she has done more than set an example; she has placed us under an obligation which, as a nation, we shall not forget. It is fitting that we should acknowledge that debt in words, but it is a debt which cannot be paid by words, and at this moment, in my belief, the best way in which we can attempt to pay that debt is that we should realise, as I think our country has not yet fully realised, that this for us, as much as for Belgium, is a struggle of life and death, and that we must without haste and without rest employ the utmost of our resources to bring it to a successful end. (Cheers.)

Mr. John Richmond, Leader of the Nationalist Party, who was received with cheers, said:—I think the House will agree that it may not be altogether inappropriate that in a definite way I should be permitted to associate Ireland to the full in this motion. In no quarter of the world has the heroism of the Belgian people been received with more general enthusiasm and admiration than within the shores of Ireland. (Cheers)—There is no compliment which it is possible for the Irish people to pay to Belgium that they will not willingly pay, and there is no sacrifice which Irishmen will not be willing to make to come to their assistance. In this regard I am proud to think that at this moment there are many gallant Irishmen willing to take their share of the risks and shed their blood and face death in assisting the Belgian people in the defence of their liberty and independence. The spectacle of this small nation making its heroic sacrifices in defence of its independence and honour against overwhelming odds, appeals in a very special way to the sentiments and feelings of the people of Ireland. (Cheers.) The Prime Minister has said that the allied nations are under the deepest debt to Belgium. I have read in the newspapers recently of a loan to Belgium. It seems to me that it is not a loan which ought to be made, but that the Belgian people ought to be asked to accept the gift. (Cheers.)

The motion was carried amidst loud cheers.

#### MOTION CARRIED IN THE LORDS.

An identical motion was submitted in the House of Lords and carried with acclamation.

#### DETAILS OF THE BIG BATTLE.

British Attacked By Five German Army Corps.

LONDON, Aug. 28, 1.10 p.m.

In the House of Commons Mr. Asquith stated:—It appears from the French official report that the fighting on Wednesday was in the neighbourhood of Cambrai to Leateau. Our troops were exposed to the attack of five German Army Corps, two Cavalry Divisions, and a reserve corps of Guard of Cavalry. Our second Army Corps in the fourth division bore the brunt of the cavalry attack, while our first Army Corps was attacked on the right and inflicted very heavy losses on the enemy. I regret to say that our casualties were heavy, but the exact particulars are not yet known. The behaviour of our troops was in all respects admirable. General Joffre conveys his congratulations and sincere thanks for the protection so effectively given by our army to the French flank. (Loud cheer.)

## BY TELEGRAPH.

### NO GERMANS IN OSTEND OR GHENT.

The statement that the Germans have entered Ghent is denied. As a matter of fact the city and neighbourhood of Ostend and Ghent is occupied by British marines in conjunction with the Belgians.

#### NOTICE TO BELGIANS.

We are requested by the Belgian Consul to announce that a Belgian law was passed on August 1 granting an amnesty to all Belgian deserters who rejoin the Army before October 1.

#### TILSIT IN THE HANDS OF THE RUSSIANS.

LONDON, Aug. 28, 1.40 a.m.

The Russians have occupied Tilsit, an important manufacturing and commercial centre in East Prussia.

#### OPERATIONS EXTENDING OVER 250 MILES.

LONDON, Aug. 28, 1.40 a.m.

The Official Press Bureau has issued the following:—  
The French operations, extending over 250 miles, necessitated changes in the position of our troops, who are now occupying a strong line to meet German advances, and are supported by the French Army on both flanks. The morale of both Armies appears to be excellent.

#### DEVELOPMENT OF THE OPERATIONS.

LONDON, Aug. 27, 7.10 p.m.

It is officially announced at Paris that yesterday's events in the Northern area in nowise prejudiced the latest measures taken with a view to the later development of the operations.  
The announcement adds that the French forces between the Vosges and Nancy continue to advance.

#### BRITISH FIGHT SUPERIOR FORCES.

LONDON, Aug. 28.

A French official communiqué says the British Army was attacked by greatly superior forces and was obliged, after a brilliant resistance, to withdraw a short distance to the rear on the right. Our armies maintained their position.

#### NEWS FROM HOME.

#### GERMANY AT THE OUTBREAK OF WAR.

#### Suicide of Bankers in Germany.

FOOD PANIC, AND RUSH TO BANKS.

Berlin, July 30.

The list of catastrophes which these terrible days are bound to bring upon to-day with three suicides. In consequence of his losses, which in the first three days of the crisis amounted to £13,000, Herr Eugen Heber, a well-known Potsdam banker committed suicide with his wife during the night.  
Another well-known banker, Herr Aug. Seel, of Weimar, whose bank is well-known and trusted throughout Thuringia, committed suicide also last night. To-day his bank is closed. About a dozen jobbers and small private bankers were surrounded to-day, but the only grave failure was the Norddeutsche Handelsbank, of Goettersode. Unfortunately others are sure to follow suit, as the settlement will prove disastrous.

The Imperial Bank Commission meets to-morrow to decide upon the raising of the bank rate, and a council of great banks is sitting virtually in permanence. To-day the council sent out summary injunctions to its branches to discontinue payment in gold beyond 10 per cent. of the drawings, and in no case more than £20 in gold. The managers were also instructed to take precautions against customers shutting up gold in safe deposit.

#### HOLD WANTED FOR NOTES.

Long queues waited outside the Imperial Bank to-day demanding gold for banknotes. In many cases it was necessary to wait from two to three hours before their turn came, but at the present moment the gold reserve is very strong, and is believed to be adequate for all emergencies. The Reichsbank to-day was selling London cheques in large quantities.

Already the price of provisions is beginning to rise, especially on the frontiers. There is considerable anxiety regarding the corn and flour supply, but as Germany has not yet begun her annual exportation of food cereals, especially rye, she is not considered to be in a disadvantageous position. At Saarbrücken and elsewhere near the Western frontier there is a run on all provision stores, customers are with anxiety seeking to purchase stores of flour, dried peas, potatoes, etc. Dealers were soon sold out, the goods being literally torn from their hands. Salt has already run up to fivepence per pound.

#### FOOD PANIC ON FRONTIER.

Along the western frontier the panic rose to its uttermost, as the military guards began to be posted to command the bridges. At Antwerp where the Russian large German towns have already begun attempts to secure stores of provisions. Breslau Town Council voted £250,000 yesterday for this purpose, and Berlin has been buying huge quantities of flour and cereals, which could be brought into the city in a few days by water. The city of Berlin requires about 14,000 sacks of flour (rye and wheat) per day, whilst at the moment there are not more than 180,000 sacks in the city, and during mobilisation it would be difficult, if not impossible, to bring in more, as all the lines will be immediately occupied by troops.

In a recent calculation by Professor Haffel it was estimated that industrial Germany would be faced by famine prices within a few weeks, whilst within year the consumption of meat and milk will have to be reduced 80 per cent.  
Shortly after one p.m. to-day the "Lokal-Anzeiger" published a special edition in the city announcing that mobilisation orders had been signed. The result was a panic, and a wild rush took place wherever the extra news was first received. In Berlin, not only officers, but civilians, made their way to the arrangements, and shopkeepers hastily closed their shops.

A few minutes later the same paper dashed out the extra news, and the panic subsided. The extra news was that the mobilisation orders had been signed in the previous issue. The explanation was that some special ready printed form for emergency which might be expected any hour, were distributed, either by the postal service or by some blunder.

It is only fair to state that in Rhineland another Catholic paper also distributed an extra stating that mobilisation had been ordered. An official denial was shortly afterwards furnished by the Wilhelmstrasse, but this amazing attempt—if such it was—to perpetrate one more colossal Kopenick hoax on the whole city will be, for historians, one of the most curious incidents in these days of unexampled tension.

#### A SOCIALIST APPEAL.

To-day the Socialist "Vorwaerts" makes an appeal to the Kaiser, "as a true friend of peace," to do his best to prevent the catastrophe of international war. The significance of this lies in the fact, admitted even by Socialists, that when once the die is cast there is nothing more for any German to do save obey orders.  
Another Council was summoned at nine o'clock this morning, and was sitting at noon.  
Late this afternoon a report was current that Austria had offered binding guarantees that she would not attempt to occupy permanently any portion of Serbia, but confirmation of this could not be obtained, and at the time of writing it was felt that the situation was virtually hopeless.  
The evening editions of the "Deutsche Nachrichten," "Deutsche Warte," and "Deutsche Zeitung" are being confiscated by the police inasmuch as they contain the announcement of the mobilisation of the 5th and 17th Army Corps.—Daily News (London).

#### THE KAISER'S MESSAGE.

Grand Duke Sent to St. Petersburg.

Berlin, July 30.

It is reported in Berlin political circles that the Grand Duke of Hesse left for St. Petersburg by special train to hand to the Russian Government the letter of the Kaiser's reply to the Tsar's message.  
It is also stated, apparently semi-officially, that the German Government to-day made a final effort for peace by Notes addressed to St. Petersburg, Paris and other capitals. Should the reply to this final message prove unsatisfactory, Germany will mobilise at once. I have reason to believe that this is correct.

The Grand Duke, who is the Tsar's brother, is as popular as the Russian as the Kaiser. It is not without significance that his special train will pass over the bridge already mined by Russian engineers.

The "Lokal-Anzeiger" declares that another 24 hours must bring a decision for peace or for war. For my own part, and as a result of careful inquiries in responsible quarters, I believe that mobilisation will hardly be ordered until Saturday. If the Grand Duke's mission fails there should remain one more diplomatic step. Germany will then make a formal inquiry at St. Petersburg against whom the Russian mobilisation is directed; but if to-night's papers are correctly informed, this inquiry was sent out late last night in the form of a peremptory demand for a reply within 24 hours.

In a Wilhelmstrasse statement issued at noon it was stated that Germany had to-day made the last diplomatic effort in the direction of peace by addressing messages to St. Petersburg, Paris, and other European capitals. Should the replies to these communications, contrary to German expectation and hopes, prove unsatisfactory, Germany will be obliged to take measures for her own protection in view of the actual Russian mobilisation and the French preparations for mobilisation.—Daily News.

#### ANXIETY IN PARIS.

Steps to Prevent False News Being Circulated.

Paris July 30.

The situation is regarded here as graver than yesterday. There is certainly nothing in the actual news to justify this extreme pessimism, but it is rather the news that we do not get.  
Not since the Schœlcher incident, now more than a quarter of a century old, have I seen Paris in such a state of anxiety as to-day. It was marked on men's faces. There was a smile in the city. One is bound to admit the effect of self-possession

## PRECAUTIONS HOME.

### TERRITORIALS OUT DEFENCE DUTY.

#### Quick Response.

In view of the unprecedented national situation, says the "London News and Leader," of the Government have ordered territorial precautions three country. The following are issued from the War Office last night.  
The military movements taken place are of a purely defensive nature.  
In accordance with the order when precautionary measures are taken, the Social Reserve and Territorial Forces are being members of these sections be agreement, in accordance with Section XIII. (2) (b) of the Reserve Forces Act, 1907, such cases. No other troops involved in these measures.

Telegrams from "Daily News" indicate that the Territorial to the first call since the organisation of the general and complete. The Act referred to in the War Office provides for the calling members of the force who liability for actual military purposes of defence in the United Kingdom.  
A considerable shuffling of military forces was witnessed the British Isles yesterday with the Government's measures. Ports have been guarded, while exp of the coast are being patrolled.

Holiday leave among the Metropolitan Police cancelled. Officers on leave are recalled at present, but no to be allowed to leave.

Asked for the reasons for official at Scotland Yard several, one being the "pa strike coming along." "Well pressed all round," the official in view of the situation elsewhere we feel we are no relieving London-wholesale moment.  
It is understood that a half the men will be required for magazine duty.

#### Bread Going.

EXPECTED HALFPENNY RISE OF THE LOAF.

A rise of one halfpenny the loaf by Tuesday next by the Master Bakers' Protection. The price of flour has been the London Flour Millers' 1s. 1s. to 3s. It is recalled a time of the First War a figure which the pessimistically observe in the prolongation of hostilities, I be remembered that very wheat is now imported from Russia, and it is reassuring, in addition to the wheat progress in Canada, the hay and the Argentine are ahead. Wheat prices went up at At Bristol the advanced flour was four shillings, 3s. 6d. in three days at Liverpool was rises in the Lincoln, but the position was described as "at the close of the day."

A CAUTION AGAINST "So long as the public panic there is no reason," the "Daily News" interview for foodstuffs should rise extent."

Mr. Pearce, who has his pulse of the provision market for the moment. "To be branch of trade, that in the preserve," he said, "there supplies on hand, and it is able that if the public get stores up big supplies, den advantage of that alarm and automatically."  
"We are, of course, late upon foreign countries for but even if these supplies are not entirely helpless, large supplies of munition as we are whilst our imports chilled and frozen beef at heavy. It must be remembered that if any dim supply of American beef the prices of mutton."  
As to potatoes, we see our supply from Lincolnshire be a long time before we can Mr. Pearce warns the cool head, and not to prove the would-be exploiter of po

#### Wild Scenes in W.

New York

The stock markets have here to-day, but in the process of the Wheat Pit, wild scenes were experienced was intense in the Wheat, which was hammered cents. yesterday, advanced bushel to-day, and for the many years "dollar wheat." Prices advanced rapidly, eagerly fought with each other and speculative purchases of the scene was the most occurred in years in the continuing all the morning a breathing space. The volume was enormous, and for made to-day in the Pit by wheat.

of the France of to-day. I should have seen similar reaction ago.

Socialist "Down with the straitens are of nightly occurrences have been made, threatening the price, in anxiety of Frenchmen an unaccountably relying on better sense of the rulers prevail."

But I should not be giving of the above things in that this intense anxiety three or four days of pan Exchange of Europe has with a small saving cloud of war has certainly foreign. For one would look personally around Paris, but I know a case—many—here a cable was America this morning gives orders that the other's should move to Switzerland (Continued on page 6)

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## NEWS FROM HOME

(Continued from page 6.)

HANK OF FRANCE REMOVED.

The refusal of traders to give gold and silver for bank of France notes has led to a sudden inconvenience, and was responsible for a tremendous crowd besieging the Bank of France to-day to turn their paper money into coin. The crowd began to collect at 4 a.m., and stretched along the streets surrounding the bank. It did not seem to diminish all day, although thousands must have reached the counter and exchanged their savings in notes for hard cash.

It should be pointed out that there is no shortage of gold; the Bank of France has probably a higher gold reserve (estimated at £100,000,000) in its coffers to-day than any other national bank in Europe.

The prompt action of the banks should restore the confidence of the little people who took fright, and the early issue of notes of 20 francs and 5 francs denominations, which is promised, should minimise the inconvenience.

This morning M. Poincaré presided over a council of Ministers, but the only statement issued, is to the effect that the Premier made his disengagements concurrent with the foreign situation, and that Ministers have decided to hold daily meetings at the Elysée.

The Russian Ambassador had an interview with M. Viviani after the Cabinet Council.

TO PREVENT FALSE NEWS.

An evening paper which published false news concerning the mobilization was seized by the police, and proceedings against it are threatened. In order to prevent the publication of such false news, a Press Bureau has been established at the Foreign Office and the War Office will circulate the news.

With regard to such measures of precaution as the recall of foreign men to frontier garrisons, etc., it is semi-officially stated that they have only been decided upon as a response to similar but much more thoroughgoing measures in Alsace.

On the other hand, no special measures whatever have been taken on the Franco-German frontier, such action being uncalculated in view of Italy's unchanged attitude.

Writing this afternoon from St. Petersburg, a correspondent of the "Times" states that the German Ambassador protested yesterday against the Russian mobilization, and gave it to be understood that this, even partial, mobilization would have as a consequence the mobilization of the German army. M. Sazonov replied that the measures of partial mobilization begun yesterday could not be stopped.

A second message to the "Times" from St. Petersburg says that the German Ambassador asked M. Sazonov for an audience this morning. The Ambassador was received at once. The details of the communication have not yet been made public, but his character, the correspondent is assured, was rather favourable in contrast to the steps taken last night.

"Daily News" (London).

GRIM TRAGEDY OF THE ALPS.

Five Tourists Killed.

Five Austrian mountaineers, three men and two girls, have been found dead in the snow on the glacier of Venadiger in the Tyrol. It is surmised that they perished in a violent snowstorm, though there are several theories as to how they met their death.

Apparently a clerk named Kratochwill and two girls met another clerk named Meloung and a young man whose identity has not yet been established in a shelter but continued the ascent together. Meloung's body bore deep wounds inflicted with an ice axe, and a revolver with one discharged cartridge was found by his side. From this it is suggested that a desperate fight took place between Meloung and the unknown young man, whose bodies were found lying close together some distance from the other three.

It is also possible that the two men, seeing certain death before them, decided to shorten their agony and kill one another, or that Meloung, as the responsible leader of the party, was suddenly attacked and killed by the young companion, driven mad by misfortune. In any case, the tragedy is one of the worst that has occurred on the Alps in recent years.

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## SHIPPING

## ARRIVALS.

August 28.  
 Kowloon, Chinese steamer, 1,488, J. McArthur, Shanghai Aug. 25, General.  
 O. M. S. N. Co.

Malta, British steamer, 3,885, G. W. Cookman, R.N.R., Yokohama August 17, Mails and General. P. & O. S. N. Co.  
 Havre, French steamer, 730, Ch. Le Chevalier, Haiphong and Saigon Aug. 27, General. A. S. Mart.

Lunenburg, British steamer, 1,220, Wm. Bannister, Shanghai August 6, General. Butterfield & Swire.

August 29.  
 Leningrad, British str., 1,117, Cable, Swatow August 28, General. J. J. Matthews & Co., Ltd.

Tem, British str., 1,351, J. V. Sidford, Manila August 28, General. Butterfield & Swire.

## DEPARTURES.

August 29.  
 Malta, for Singapore and Bombay. Arcadia, for Shanghai and Bangkok. Drayton, for Shanghai and Vladivostok. Sabine Rickmers, for Haiphong, Nieuwe, for Singapore and London. Nieuwe, for Singapore and London. Hainan, for Amoy and Foochow. Loongping, for Manila.

## PASSENGERS.

Per Malta, for Singapore, Capt. C. Marsden, Lt. L. Burns, Mrs. John Porter, Mr. S. Doonan, Mr. P. R. Raza, Mr. H. C. Hall, for Bombay, Rev. and Mrs. J. C. Thomas, for London, Major E. C. L. Fitzwilliams, Capt. A. H. K. Watson, Asst. Paymaster E. Foster, Mr. M. C. Leatham.

Per Nieuwe, for Singapore, Mrs. Bragg, 2 Misses Bragg, Master Bragg, Miss P. Clark, for London, Mr. W. H. Clark, Mr. Harry L. Padbury, Mr. T. P. and Mrs. Kinchett, Mr. J. Houch.

## SHIPPING REPORTS.

The Chinese steamer Kwang Lee from Shanghai reports: Moderate N.E. winds and sea, fine and clear weather.

## POST OFFICE NOTICES.

There will be no steamer to Canton on Saturday evening until further notice.

In future the Macao Mail will close on Saturday at 4 p.m. instead of on Sunday, at 8 a.m.

All correspondence for Europe unless specially subscribed will be sent via Siberia.

The s.s. Yokohama Maru with the American Mail Express Nippon Maru is due to arrive here to-day.

Matia will close for —  
 SWATOW. Per Swatow, at 8 a.m., on Sunday, the 30th Aug.  
 SWATOW, AMOY & FORMOSA VIA TAMPUL. Per Swatow, at 9 a.m., on Sunday, the 30th Aug.

SHANGHAI & NORTH CHINA. Per Swatow, at 9 a.m., on Sunday, the 30th Aug.

SHANGHAI, NORTH CHINA & TIENTSIN. Per Swatow, at 4 p.m., on Monday, the 31st Aug.

JAPAN VIA NAGASAKI. Per Swatow, at 4 p.m., on Monday, the 31st Aug.

HOIHOW, PAKHOI & HAIPHONG. Per Swatow, at 8 a.m., on Tuesday, the 1st Sept.

SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW. Per Swatow, at 9 a.m., on Tuesday, the 1st Sept.

\*NINPO, SHANGHAI & NORTH CHINA. Per Swatow, at 10 a.m., on Tuesday, the 1st Sept.

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PHILIPPINE ISLANDS. Per Swatow, at 2 p.m., on Tuesday, the 1st Sept.

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[To make connection with the Tientsin-Peking Railway, closing at Shanghai British P.O. at 11.30 a.m., on Monday, the 1st Sept.]

HOIHOW, PAKHOI & HAIPHONG. Per Swatow, at 8 a.m., on Wednesday, the 2nd Sept.

SAND KAN. Per Swatow, at 10 a.m., on Wednesday, the 2nd Sept.

SAIGON, STRAITS, OCEAN, ADELAIDE, WESTERN AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADELAIDE, EGYPT & EUROPE VIA MARSEILLES. Per Swatow, at 10 a.m., on Thursday, the 3rd Sept.

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CHAMBERLAIN'S Colic, Cholera, Diarrhoea, and Stomach Remedy. It is a safe and sure remedy for all cases of colic, cholera, and diarrhoea, and is a master remedy for all cases of these diseases.

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## CHURCH SERVICES.

## St. John's Cathedral.

12th Sunday after Trinity. Aug. 30th.

Holy Communion (8.00 a.m.). Matins (11 a.m.). Responses, Psalms, Venite, Hallel, Gloria, Te Deum, Credo, and Woodward, To Deum, Russell, Jones, Pye, Benedictus, Troutbeck, Jubilate, Hymns, 4, 238.

Holy Communion (12 noon). Evening (5.45 p.m.). (Full Choir.) Responses, Psalms, Venite, Hallel, Gloria, Te Deum, Credo, and Woodward, To Deum, Russell, Jones, Pye, Benedictus, Troutbeck, Jubilate, Hymns, 4, 238.

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## CHINA'S MEDICAL NEEDS.

Reuter's Agency at Peking learns that the Rockefeller Foundation has already telegraphed its approval of two minor recommendations made by the Rockefeller Commission, whose investigations concerning the medical needs of China are not yet completed. The recommendations approved are the establishment of six fellowships, each of the value of £1,000 per annum, to enable Chinese medical graduates to take courses of advanced study in the United States, the Foundation in addition paying their travelling expenses, and the donation of £1,000 for the equipment of a medical laboratory at Kuling. It is believed that the Commission's final report will result in the Rockefeller Foundation taking a very great interest in China.

## WEATHER REPORT.

On the 29th at 11.00.—Pressure has increased slightly along the coast from Weihaiwei to Cape St. James, and over the southern Philippines. It has increased moderately at Aperi and is nearly stationary over Formosa.

No returns from Japan stations. At 6 a.m. this morning the centre of the typhoon appeared to be in latitude 22° N. and longitude 115° E. travelling northward.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.08 inches. Forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon to-morrow—

1.—Hongkong and Neighbourhood: W. or variable winds, light to moderate breeze.

2.—Formosa Channel: Cyclonic gales.

3.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamook: N.W. to W. winds, moderate.

4.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan: The same as No. 1.

## HONGKONG TIDES

The tide-table given below has been compiled at the Nautical Almanac Office in London from the result of the analysis of observations taken by means of an automatic tide-recording machine in the Water Police Basin at Tsim Sha Tsui during the years 1887-89.

The zero of the table corresponds with the zero of the sounding in the Admiralty Charts which has been found to be 4 feet 3 inches below mean sea level.

To obtain the depth of water on the tide-gauge at the Victoria Naval Yard add 5 feet 4 inches, and on the gauge at Lamook Dock, Aberdeen, add 10 feet 6 inches to the height given in the table.

August 30th to September 6th, 1914

Time	High Water		Low Water	
	Height	Time	Height	Time
Aug. 30	10.47	6.4	not low	1.7
Sept. 1	10.47	6.4	not low	1.7
Sept. 2	10.47	6.4	not low	1.7
Sept. 3	10.47	6.4	not low	1.7
Sept. 4	10.47	6.4	not low	1.7
Sept. 5	10.47	6.4	not low	1.7
Sept. 6	10.47	6.4	not low	1.7

## ROYAL OBSERVATORY.

## HONGKONG DAILY WEATHER REPORT.

AUGUST 29, 1914.—a.m.

	Station.	Hour.	Barometer at Sea Level.	Temperature.	Humidity.	Wind Direction.	Force.
From O. B.	Viostock	7 a.					
From O. B.	Hemaro	6 a.					
From O. B.	Tokio						
From O. B.	Kochi						
From O. B.	Nagasaki						
From O. B.	Goshima.						
From O. B.	Osima						
From O. B.	Nagasaki						
From O. B.	Ischi-jima						
From O. B.	Bonin Island						
From O. B.	Chefoo						
From O. B.	Weihaiwei.		29.88	74	80	SE	3
From O. B.	Hankow						
From O. B.	Ichang						
From O. B.	Kinkiang						
From O. B.	Changsha						
From O. B.	Shanghai		29.82	74		ENE	1
From O. B.	Outsips		29.83	78		NE	4
From O. B.	Shang Pk.	7 a.	29.81	81		SE	5
From O. B.	Amoy		29.69	83		SE	5
From O. B.	Saichow				75	SE	5
From O. B.	Tsahoiki	5 a.	29.83			N	8
From O. B.	Tsichou		29.66			N	0
From O. B.	Taiwan		29.76			SE	0
From O. B.	Koshon		29.88			SE	0
From O. B.	Yanhow		29.54			SE	0
From O. B.	Canton	6 a.	29.79	82	75	SW	1
From O. B.	Hongkong		29.68	79	82	N	1
From O. B.	Gap Rock		29.67			SE	2
From O. B.	Macao		29.67	83		NE	1
From O. B.	Yanhow	9 a.	29.77	82	79	SE	2
From O. B.	Pakhoi						
From O. B.	Hoihow						
From O. B.	Philous	6 a.	29.77	81		NW	1
From O. B.	Tourane		29.77	79		NW	2
From O. B.	O St James		29.69	76		NW	4
From O. B.	Mantri		29.79	79		NW	2
From O. B.	Legaspi		29.82	82		NW	2
From O. B.	Legaspi		29.83	79		NW	2
From O. B.	Indio	9 a.	29.36	81		SW	1
From O. B.	Bacolod					S	2
From O. B.	Cebu	29.91	87			NW	2
From O. B.	Labuan						